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1. AIR MALI DIRECTOR MOUSSA TRAORE SCHEDULED DEPART BAMAKO
21 SEPT. VIA UTA 858 FOR PARIS. ETA WASHDC 23 SEPT.
VIA TWA 803.

2. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: TRAORE DESIRES CONSULT FEDERAL
AVIATION ADMINISTRATION RE CERTIFICATION REGULATIONS,
OTHER AVIATION MATTERS IN WASHINGTON. ALSO DESIRES
CONSULT EXIMBANK OFFICIALS RE CREDIT FINANCING POSSIBLE
PURCHASE U.S. AIRCRAFT. WISHES CONSULT WORLD AIRWAYS
AT OAKLAND, WITH WHICH AIR MALI HAS HAD NUMEROUS LEASE,
TRAINING CONTRACTS, THEN VISIT BOEING SEATTLE AND/OR
LOCKHEED, DOUGLAS IN CALIFORNIA. INTERESTED IN SEEING
SMALL REGIONAL LINE SUCH AS AIR WEST, IN ADDITION TO
VISITING SOUTHWEST U.S. WHICH RESEMBLES MALIAN TOPOGRAPHY, CLIMATE.
WOULD APPRECIATE HOME-STAY TYPICAL U.S. FAMILY, PERHAPS IN
MIDWEST, PLUS OTHER VISITS TO TOURIST POINTS, UNIVERSITIES.
RECOMMEND TRAORE CONCLUDE 20-DAY PROGRAM IN BAMAKO'S SISTER
CITY OF ROCHESTER, FROM WHERE HE CAN MAKE CONNECTIONS TO
OTTAWA.

3. TRAORE SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH, BUT ESCORT-INTERPRETER
REQUIRED. HE HAS VISITED THE U.S. SEVERAL TIMES, BUT ONLY
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NEW YORK TO OAKLAND WITH NO STOPS IN BETWEEN. THE VISIT

SHOULD ACQUAINT HIM WITH MORE THAN THE AIRLINE INDUSTRY.

4. EMBASSY REGRETS DELAYS AND CANCELLATIONS THIS PROJECT AND
APPRECIATES DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS BRING IT TO POSITIVE
CONCLUSION.
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